It is with indescribable sadness that we announce the passing of Mike Himmelman on January 19, 2016, after a very brief, unbeatable challenge with cancer. Son of Norman and Lucienne Himmelman, Mike was born in Toronto and moved to Halifax with his parents at the age of two, where he enjoyed a marvelous childhood. After graduating from St. Mary’s University, he achieved his hard won goal of being hired as one of the youngest account executives at the prestigious firm of Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner and Smith, where he completed their intense training program in New York City. During his
successful investment career in Halifax of over 40 years, Mike attained the FCSI and CFP among other professional designations. He taught the Canadian Securities Course for many years, and trained and mentored many successful investment advisors across the country. He would tell you his crowning achievement was to be blessed with ‘his perfect son’ Chris, who succeeded him in the investment business, as well as his nephew Paul Wetmore. Mike was known for his infectious smile, love of life and family and friends, candor, positive attitude, drive to work hard, and the ability to light up any dance floor. This was thanks to much practice at his favourite, the Shore Club, also at Ducky’s in Wentworth and during the famous annual visits to Club Med with his best friends. He loved playing tennis at the Waeg, skiing in Wentworth, being on the waters of St. Margaret’s Bay, and spending time at the cottage in Hubbards with his family and many friends. Mike is survived by Patty, the ‘love of his life’ and wife of 40 fabulous years; his son Christopher Himmelman and his beautiful wife Gena Boris; and his two grandsons, Nathan and Logan, who he loved more than life itself. He is also survived by his two nephews, Paul and Alan Wetmore, who he shared a special friendship with, and their children. We invite you to join us to celebrate the wonderful life of Mike Himmelman, who has left us too soon. We request you bring your thoughts and prayers, and to listen to a few chosen friends and family share their fondest memories at a reception, the Lord Nelson Hotel on Friday, January 22, 2016 from 3 until 6 pm. A memorial church service will also be held on Saturday, January 23, 2016 at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Windsor and Allen Streets, Halifax at 2 pm. Special thanks to Dr.’s Bailly, Wood and Snow and the staff of 8A for their amazing care and concern. Donations in memory may be made to the QEII Foundation, the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection or charity of your choice. Arrangements have been entrusted to Snow’s Funeral Home.